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SUBJECT: VILLA CONSTITUCION STRIKERS THREATEN VIABILITY
AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRY

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1. WORKERS STRIKE AT VILLA CONSTITUCION METAL WORKING AND STEEL PLANTS NOW IN NINETEENTH DAY WITH NO EARLY SOLUTION IN SIGHT. AUTOMOBILE WORKERS ASSOCIATION ADVISED GOA THAT IF STRIKE NOT RESOLVED RAPIDLY, ENTIRE AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRY MAY HAVE TO SHUT DOWN. FORD REPS VISITED GOVERNOR OF BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE VICTORIO CALABRO, HIMSELF A PROMINENT LEADER OF METAL WORKERS UNION (UOM), TO MAKE THIS POINT AND UNDERScore SERIOUSNESS OF SITUATION. CHRYSLER MANAGER ADVISED EMBOFFS THAT MOST PLANTS HAVE SUPPLIES ENGINE BLOCKS, ETC., PRODUCED AT VILLA CONSTITUCION, FOR NO MORE THAN ONE ADDITIONAL WEEK. CHRYSLER ITSELF CAN OPERATE AT REDUCED LEVEL FOR 30 DAYS.

2. NATIONAL METAL WORKERS UNION (UOM) TO ASSUME CONTROL APRIL 7 OF VILLA CONSTITUCION BRANCH FROM MINLABOR INTERVENTOR. HOWEVER, WORKERS ADAMANT THEY WILL NOT RETURN TO WORK UNTIL ARRESTED UNION LEADERS RELEASED. GIVEN HISTORY SUCCESSFUL OPPOSITION LOCAL UNION TO NATIONAL UOM CONTROL, IT UNLIKELY THAT INVENTION NATIONAL UNION WILL RESOLVE ISSUE IN NEAR TIME FRAME.

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COMMENT. STRIKE BEGAN MARCH 20 WHEN MININTERIOR ROCAMOR8
DENOUNCED VAST SUBVERSIVE PLOT WHICH SOUGHT PARALIZATION HEAVY
INDUSTRY PLANTS IN VILLA CONSTITUCION AREA, AND ARRESTED LOCAL
UNION LEADERS TO THWART PLOT. ROCAMORA'S ACTION HAS BROUGHT
ABOUT PRECISELY THAT WHICH HE SAID HE WAS SEEKING TO PREVENT.
WE BELIEVE AUTO INDUSTRY COMPLETELY IN EARNEST REGARDING
SERIOUSNESS OF SITUATION, BUT WE DO NOT EXPECT GOA WILL ALLOW
SITUATION TO REACH POINT WHERE AUTO FACTORIES FORCED TO CLOSE.
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